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This folder contains correspondence from 1926. Most of the selected documents are by landscape architect Ellen Shipman and relate to the construction of a skating pond and other improvements at Glenmont, the Edison home in Llewellyn Park. Some of the letters refer to the illness of Charles Edison, which led to the postponement of the landscaping work. Also included is a letter concerning the presentation of a copy of Rebekah Crawford's *Collection of Musical Subjects* to the Edison grandchildren.

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[F5F16AA], Letter from Walter McClure to Katharine Augusta Righter, September 1st, 1926

Title
[F5F16AA], Letter from Walter McClure to Katharine Augusta Righter, September 1st, 1926

Author
McClure, Walter

Recipient
Righter, Katharine Augusta

Mentioned

- Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)
- Williams, Arthur
- Edison, Thomas Alva
- Meadowcroft, William Henry
- Crawford, Rebekah

Date
1926-09-01

Type
Letter

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Newspapers, books, other publications

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ARTHUR WILLIAMS
IRVING PLACE AND FIFTEENTH STREET
NEW YORK

September 1 1926

Miss Katharine Righter
Secretary to Mrs Thomas A Edison
Llewellyn Park
West Orange New Jersey

Dear Madam

In Mr Arthur Williams' absence in Europe permit me to acknowledge your letter of August 29th inquiring about the package forwarded to "Mr Edison's Grandchildren"

The latter part of July Miss Rebecca Crawford wrote to us saying that she would be glad to present to Mr Edison's grandchildren, if it were thought of interest, a copy of her "Collection of Musical Subjects"

Miss Crawford, according to her own statement, has spent the greater part of her life along musical lines teaching and writing books; evidently the material is a collection of works and manuscripts covering some period of years. It is a matter of regret that I cannot tell you just what it was because the package was received at this office addressed to Mr Thomas Edison's grandchildren, care of Mr Arthur Williams, and it was, therefore, forwarded without being opened to Mr Meadowcroft, who was at that time about to leave on his vacation. Telephone word was also given to Mr Meadowcroft about the package and I suggest that you inquire from him as the best source

Truly yours

Secretary —

. met.

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[F5F16AB], Letter from John Vincent Miller to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, October 6th, 1926

Title
[F5F16AB], Letter from John Vincent Miller to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, October 6th, 1926

Author
Miller, John Vincent

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Mentioned

- Glenmont
- Shipman, Ellen Biddle

Date
1926-10-06

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Letter

Subject
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Oct 6 1926

Mrs Edison

Re Skating Pond -

I would like to remind you, in making any agreement with Landscape people to particularly set before them the amount of water you have available and (2) the question of the expansion of the ice -

We have been warned against this ice expansion and the banks must be strongly reinforced or gently sloping to allow the ice to slip -

I should imagine from the pictures of the Cleveland pond no allowance was made for

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ice expansion. Possibly they drain it in the winter -

It would certainly be a shame to spend $12 or 3000 more and then not have the bottom & sides tight -

Am writing this so that you can particularly discuss with Mrs. Stiftman and have her guard against cracking sides etc.

John -

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[F5F16AC], Letter from Ellen Biddle Shipman to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 16th, 1926

Title
[F5F16AC], Letter from Ellen Biddle Shipman to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 16th, 1926

Author
Shipman, Ellen Biddle

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Mentioned

- Glenmont
- Righter, Katharine Augusta

Date
1926-11-16

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Letter

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Property

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ELLEN SHIPMAN,
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT,
21, BEEKMAN PLACE (EAST 50TH STREET),
NEW YORK.

TELEPHONE:
PLAZA, 1712.

SUMMER OFFICE
CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

November 16, 1926

Mrs. Thomas A. Edison,
Llewellyn Park,
West Orange, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Edison:

I have received the note from your secretary, saying that you have not been able to find the plan, which I understand is the grade plan and layout of the whole place, and that you would like to have one made. She asked me to let you know before I go out to do this.

It is necessary that I have an Engineer make such a plan, and I would not need to go out to the place with him, but after receiving it I would go out and look over the land to see if my ideas as to placements of roads, and the division of property, were right before completing the layout plan.

I will send you an estimate for the cost of the Engineer's plan before having it made.

Very sincerely yours,

Ellen Shipman

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[F5F16AD], Letter from Ellen Biddle Shipman to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 29th, 1926

Title
[F5F16AD], Letter from Ellen Biddle Shipman to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 29th, 1926

Author
Shipman, Ellen Biddle

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Mentioned

- Glenmont
- Edison, Charles

Date
1926-11-29

Type
Letter

Subject

- TAE health
- Property

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NEW YORK.

TELEPHONE:
PLAZA, 1712.

SUMMER OFFICE
CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

November 29, 1926

Mrs. Thomas A. Edison,
Lewellyn Park,
West Orange, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Edison:

I sent the surveyor out to your place but no one could tell him just what you wished. I will be glad to make arrangements for him to go out again, and in case you are not there, could you explain to your Superintendent what is wanted. You remember we talked of a plan for the whole place and also spoke of the sketch plan just around your own house. If you will let me know whether you wish the whole place surveyed or the section for your own garden, I will then know just what to tell the Engineer, so that he can give me an estimate of the cost.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Engineer's letter.

Very sincerely yours,

Ellen Shipman

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[F5F16AE], Letter from Ellen Biddle Shipman to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, December 3rd, 1926

Title
[F5F16AE], Letter from Ellen Biddle Shipman to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, December 3rd, 1926

Author
Shipman, Ellen Biddle

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Mentioned

- Glenmont
- Edison, Charles
- Righter, Katharine Augusta

Date
1926-12-03

Type
Letter

Subject

- TAE health
- Property

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NEW YORK.

TELEPHONE:
PLAZA, 1712.

SUMMER OFFICE
CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

December 3rd, 1926

File with these letters.

Mrs. Thomas A. Edison
Llewellyn Park
West Orange, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Edison:-

We are sorry to learn from your secretary's letter of your son's illness, and hope sincerely that his speedy recovery will soon relieve you of this anxiety. We quite understand that in the meantime, you are not interested in continuing the work on your garden, and will be very glad to go on with it when you advise us to that effect.

Yours very sincerely,

ELLEN SHIPMAN

Per Phyllis Cumberland.
Secretary